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SUBJ: SECRETARY' S FOREIGN POLICY REPORT

1. TEXT OF SECTION ON PORTUGUESE TERRITORIES IN SECRETARY' S
1972 FOREIGN POLICY REPORT SCHEDULED FOR RELEASE APRIL 19
FOLLOWS IN FULL: QUOTE

IT IS U. S. POLICY TO SUPPORT SELF- DETERMINATION FOR THE
PORTUGUESE TERRITORIES IN AFRICA-- MOZAMBIQUE, ANGOLA, AND
PORTUGUESE GUINEA. THE QUESTION OF THE FUTURE OF THESE
TERRITORIES IS STILL A SERIOUS PROBLEM IN THE RELATIONS OF
THE UNITED STATES WITH INDEPENDENT AFRICAN NATIONS. THEIR
EXPECTATIONS OF THE INFLUENCE THE UNITED STATES MIGHT BE
ABLE TO BRING TO BEAR ON PORTUGAL REMAINED UNREALISTICALLY
HIGH.

THE MOST HOPEFUL SIGNS DURING THE YEAR WERE OF A DESIRE ON
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THE PART OF AFRICANS AND THE PORTUGUESE TO DISCUSS THEIR PROBLEMS, ALTHOUGH THERE APPEARED TO BE, AS THE YEAR ENDED, LITTLE PROGRESS ON THIS MATTER. IN A UNANIMOUS RESOLUTION OF THE U. N. SECURITY COUNCIL PASSED IN NOVEMBER, THE UNITED STATES UNDERLINED ITS CONTINUING ADHERENCE TO THE PRINCIPLE OF SELF- DETERMINATION. HOPES WERE EXPRESSED THAT THE RESOLUTION MIGHT LEAD DURING 1973 TO MEANINGFUL DISCUSSIONS.

DURING 1972 PORTUGAL ISSUED ITS OVERSEAS LAW WHICH UPGRADED THE STATUS OF ANGOLA AND MOZAMBIQUE TO THAT OF STATES AND MADE VARIOUS OTHER LEGAL CHANGES FOR THE AFRICAN TERRITORIES. ALTHOUGH THE LAW HAS GONE INTO EFFECT, THE CHANGES IT WILL PRODUCE REMAIN UNCLEAR. END QUOTE

2. INTRODUCTION AND GENERAL AFRICAN COVERAGE BEING PROVIDED SEPARATELY IN WIRELESS FILE.

3. BEGINNING APRIL 19 POSTS MAY PUBLICIZE REPORT IN MOST APPROPRIATE MANNER. ROGERS

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